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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

This memorandum contains a status report on seven County-advocacy measures related to: 1) energy efficiency; 2) receipt of ballot measures by email or a website; 3) funding for local Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs; 4) civil actions for offenses committed against homeless persons; 5) motor vehicle brake friction materials; 6) pollution control devices; and 7) recycled water.

Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

County-supported AB 46 (Blakeslee), which would have extended the State Energy Conservation Assistance Program until January 1, 2012, that provides grants and loans to local governments and public institutions to maximize energy use savings, extended the existing Local Jurisdiction Energy Assistance Program until January 1, 2016, that provides loans to local jurisdictions for energy projects, including to purchase, maintain, and evaluate energy efficient equipment for existing or new facilities, and make other related changes, was amended on June 14, 2010.

The June 14, 2010 amendments delete the prior version of the bill, and include language allowing specified counties to conduct a public manual tally by alternative means for elections taking place on specified dates. **Therefore, the Sacramento advocates will remove County support for AB 46 and take no position on this measure.**

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County-supported AB 1717 (De Leon), which as amended on June 10, 2010, would: 1) authorize county and city election officials to offer registered voters the choice to opt out of receiving ballot materials by mail and choose to receive the materials via electronic mail or by accessing a website; 2) specify that voter's electronic mail addresses or any other information provided by the voter shall remain confidential; and 3) establish a procedure to allow voters to opt back into receiving materials by mail, passed the Senate Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments Committee by a vote of 5 to 0 on June 15, 2010. This measure now proceeds to the Senate Floor.

County-supported AB 2555 (Feuer), which as amended on May 28, 2010, would appropriate \$1.6 million on a one-time basis from the State Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account for local Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs, passed the Senate Health Committee by a vote of 7 to 1 on June 16, 2010. This measure now proceeds to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

County-supported AB 2706 (Lowenthal), which as amended on April 20, 2010, would: 1) provide that the protections and remedies of the Ralph Civil Rights Act include violence or intimidation by threat of violence committed against a person or property because the person is or is perceived to be homeless; and 2) define a homeless person to mean a person who does not have a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, or a person who has a nighttime residence at a shelter designated to provide temporary living accommodations, passed the Senate Judiciary Committee by a vote of 3 to 2 on June 15, 2010. This measure now proceeds to the Senate Floor.

County-support-if-amended SB 346 (Kehoe), which would reduce the use of copper and other heavy metals in automobile brake friction materials starting in 2014, effectively remove copper from brake pad materials by January 1, 2025, and impose specified requirements on manufacturers and retailers of vehicles and brake friction materials, passed the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee, on June 15, 2010, as amended, by a vote of 6 to 2. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The amendments have not been released by the Committee at this time. Once the amendments are in print, this office will provide an update on the impact of those amendments if they are substantial.

County-supported SB 435 (Pavley), which would: 1) make it a crime for a person to park, use, or operate a motorcycle, registered in the State, that does not have the federally required label affixed onto the motorcycle or exhaust emission system indicating that the motorcycle or exhaust emission system meets the noise emissions standards; 2) make a violation of this provision punishable by a fine of not less than \$300; and 3) require that a violation of existing law regarding pollution control devices is punishable by a fine of not less than \$300, was amended on June 15, 2010.

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The June 15, 2010 amendments: 1) make the bill applicable to motorcycles manufactured on and after January 1, 2000 instead of after January 1, 1983; 2) delete the provision making a violation of the Federal label requirement punishable by a fine of not less than \$300; 3) require the person cited for violation of the above Federal label requirement to provide proof of correction; and 4) make a violation of disconnecting, modifying, or altering a required pollution control device punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$100 for a first conviction, and not less than \$100 or more than \$250 for a second or subsequent conviction.

This measure is set for a hearing in the Assembly Transportation Committee on June 28, 2010.

County-support-if-amended SB 1173 (Wolk), which would: 1) declare that the use of all "raw or potable water" for nonpotable municipal or industrial uses is a waste or unreasonable use of water if recycled water is available and reliable that meets specific conditions; 2) prohibit a person or public agency from using raw or potable water that is suitable for nonpotable municipal or industrial uses if suitable recycled water is available that meets specific conditions; and 3) declare that the use of raw or potable water for the irrigation of landscaping, floor trap priming, cooling towers, and air-conditioning devices is a waste and unreasonable use of water if recycled water is available and reliable that meets specific conditions, passed the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee on June 15, 2010 by a vote of 7 to 4. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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